Episode #36: A Warming Welcome

Characters:

- Ash Ketchum
- May
- Max
- Dawn
- Ty Masterum
- Raye Rose
- Jonah
- Lillie
- Sakura
- Sarah
- Avery Meadows
- Professor Elm
- Kimberly Masterum
- Marcus Rose
- Melanie Rose
- Jackie Rose **(Debut)**
- Professor Elm's assistant
- Delia Ketchum **(Screen)**

Pokemon:

- Pikachu **(Ash's)**
- Blaziken **(May's)**
- Glaceon **(May's)**
- Manaphy **(May's)**
- Piplup **(Dawn's)**
- Quilava **(Dawn's)**
- Teddiursa **(Ty's)**
- Croconaw **(Ty's)**
- Gyarados **(Ty's)**
- Eevee **(Raye's)**
- Psyduck **(Raye's)**
- Plusle **(Raye's)**
- Rockruff **(Jonah's)**
- Squirtle **(Jonah's)**
- Minun **(Jonah's)**
- Vulpix **(Lillie's; Alolan form; Snowy)**
- Espeon **(Sakura's)**
- Litten **(Sarah's)**
- Girafarig **(Sarah's)**
- Pachirisu **(Avery's)**
- Wooper **(Avery's)**
- Mr. Mime **(Delia's; Mimey; screen)**
- Cyndaquil
- Totodile
- Chikorita

Symposis:

Plot:

Ash and his friends make their way to New Bark Town with Professor Elm riding a van, temporarily taking a break from their journey and Ty's gym battle, Ty and Raye were excited to see their family again while everyone was excited to visit their town. The gang enjoys a peaceful trip as they see pokemons at the plain field. They arrived at the town, and both Ty and Raye were greeted by their family, happy to see each other once again, they introduced Ash and his friends to them as they welcomed their friends over, suddenly, the little girl steps out of the house, happy to see her older sister back calling her "Raye Raye", much to her annoyance, she introduces her little sister,

Jackie to her friends, saying that she's always an energetic prankster and messes with her, but Marcus says that she still loves her despite her tricksters, Raye sigh but Ty says that Jackie isn't that bad until he shows her mom his gym badge collection he earned, much to Kimberly becoming delightful at his son until Professor Elm invited the gang to his lab while Kimberly, Marcus and Melanie stayed to make dinner.

At the lab, Professor Elm, fascinated to meet Ash again and thrilled to see Manaphy up close which he has seen it before, May replied that it was a long story since their journey, which he's most impressed as he examines on Manaphy while Sarah was looking at the three pokeballs on the desk while Manaphy accidentally releases both Chikorita, Totodile, and Cyndaquil, despite that, the three starters befriends with Pikachu, Teddiursa and Manaphy on process, then, Max shows Professor Elm an Poké egg he received from Ty, giving to the professor so he can study asking if it'll hatch, which he says that it'll take to hatch. Later, while everyone was looking around the lab, Ash contacted his mother Delia about visiting New Bark Town and his journey with his friends, Delia was happy at his son, as she says to him to come visit anytime when he's taking a break on his adventure, Ash smiles, promises to return just as Mimey pops on the screen smiling and greeting Ash, making him smile. As they returned to the house, Jackie surprisingly hugged tightly calling her nickname again, Raye was annoyed, telling her not to call her name twice, the gang laughed while their parents told them that dinner is ready for everyone, making them excited.

During dinner, Marcus questioned Raye about her journey, she answers that she's been training hard very well along with her friends especially taking care of Jonah, her dad questions about Jonah who doesn't walk, Jonah didn't want to talk about it but he appreciated Raye for helping him and supportive, her parents were proud of her while Jackie jokingly telling her that she's has her boyfriend, much to Raye and Jonah's blush, Melanie says that she's only kidding. Kimberly questioned Ash on his previous journey after Ty mentioned him over the tournament he won, Ash replies that he is going on a journey again to learn more and Ty's upcoming events, Kimberly was proud of his son's competition.

After a nice dinner and sharing stories, the gang was invited to stay for a sleepover, the girls stayed at Raye's house while the boys stayed with Ty, he showed his bedroom to them, Ash was impressed at his bedroom, Ty appreciates it as he shares his bed to Jonah, he was thankful at him. At Raye's room, she and the others were chatting while Piplup, Manaphy, Wooper and Pachirisu were playing each other with Jackie, Raye shares some treats to her friends while May and Dawn talks about contest they've been while Sarah learned everything at Alola before becoming a trainer, Avery asked about the Alola region she mentioned, Lillie explains to her since she and Sarah are from their regions too as they have pokemons as well, she wants to visit and know everything while Sakura and Sarah thanked Raye for the pajamas their wearing since it was hers, but Raye told them to keep them while May is helping Sakura by fixing her hair with her brush, Dawn asked about Jackie's trickster prank, Raye claims that she's always messing with her but still loves her, Jackie also loves her big sister a lot and loves calling her nickname, Raye chases after her while the girls smiles awkwardly.

As night falls, Ty was showing his pokemon cards to his friends that he got before, Ash, Jonah and Max were amazed that he has card collections, which Ty shares it to them, Max was happy to have his first game card that he has, Pikachu and Teddiursa, Squirtle and Rockruff were enjoying bouncing in the bed until falls on the floor, but they was happy, enjoying it as the boys enjoyed looking at Ty's cards. Later, as everyone is asleep, Ty steps outside with Ash, quietly admitting that being home reminds him of how much he still wants to achieve. Ash encourages him, reminding Ty that he’s already proven his strength, and that the road ahead is about believing in himself as much as his pokémon do. Raye watches the stars from a window, smiling, confident that both she and Ty are ready for whatever comes next.

The next morning, Ash, Ty, Dawn, May and Max visit Professor Elm’s lab, where the professor happily greets them and checks on their Pokémon’s condition. He shows them a Pokémon Egg currently under observation and safe, it didn't hatch yet, however, the gang decides to stay here for today so the egg can hatch for tomorrow, Professor Elm agrees. With a short break from traveling ahead of them, Ash informs their friends, deciding to stay in New Bark Town temporarily, using the time to train their Pokémon, rest with family, and prepare for the next stage of their journey, they all agree with it.

Major events:

Trivia: